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## **President's Message**

Ah, Spring! I always look forward to March as the month when I can begin to garden, but the weather in Utah is changeable and fickle. The weather has caused me to remain indoors, which makes my ULA colleagues happy. We have weathered many changes these past few months (see newsletter article "Executive Secretary/Treasurer Changes") and work for a continued and seamless Association behind the scenes. We have been busy reviewing our finances, reviewing our Bylaws, looking for practices that we can enhance. We are preparing for a great conference and working towards increased membership in the Association.

Spring is also the time to celebrate libraries: national library week is just around the corner. Libraries have always been places of opportunity and one of

the best values in the community. Librarians and library staff are instrumental in helping patrons achieve their goals and dreams. Be proud of the work that you do.

My term as ULA President ends during our upcoming Conference. I would like to say how touched I am to have had this opportunity to serve you, the Association, as your leader. I hope that your service in and support of ULA continues to grow. I look forward to working with Julie Williamsen, our incoming President. I look forward to seeing many of you in beautiful St. George for our conference – the committee has worked hard to assure a great time!

All my best to you,  
*Hikmet*  
*2005-2006 President*

## **National Library Week, 2-8 April**

Utah Library Association invites you to "Change your world @ your library<sup>®</sup>" It's National Library Week, a time to celebrate the contributions of libraries, librarians and library workers to their schools, campuses and communities.

National Library Week 2006 marks the sixth year of The Campaign for

America's Libraries, a multi-year public education campaign sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the country to speak loudly and clearly about the value of libraries and librarians in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. More than 20,000 libraries in all 50 states are being reached by @ your library<sup>®</sup>, The Campaign for America's Libraries.

## Utah Library Association Annual Conference

### *“When the Boundaries Blur: Creating Synergy in a Time of Transformation”*

May 17-19, in St. George, Utah – just one month and it will be here.

Registration is now open and can be accessed through the ULA webpage. The last day to pre-register is April 14<sup>th</sup>.

Headline speakers for the conference include: John N. Berry III, Editor-in-Chief, of Library Journal, who will be the keynote speaker; Robert Kirby, columnist and humorist for the *Salt Lake Tribune*, who will be the speaker at the awards luncheon; Salvador Avila and Rachel Gordon Singer who will be presenting at sessions.

We have added several authors to our lineup of presenters, including Shannon Hale, recipient of the 2006 Newbery Honor award, for her book “Princess Academy.”

On Wednesday evening, May 17, everyone is invited to the President's Reception for mixing and mingling - offering a chance to visit and network, while enjoying good music and refreshments.

Thursday evening, May 18, the Utah Book Award ceremony will be presented by Utah Center for the Book. Information about the awards can be found on the Utah Center for the Book webpage at [http://www.slcp.l.lib.ut.us/details.jsp?parent\\_id=15&page\\_id=137](http://www.slcp.l.lib.ut.us/details.jsp?parent_id=15&page_id=137).

Friday, May 19, there will be several events from which to choose:

1. ALA LAMA Institute will present an all day program: “Collaborating, Partnering, Co-operating & In Cahoots: The Good, the Bad, and the Future”. This institute will be led by Julie Todaro. Content will include what collaborating is all about and what it can do for you! Information about the program can be found on the LAMA webpage at

<http://www.ala.org/ala/lama/lamaprofdev/lamaregionalinst/lamareginstlist/lamaregional.htm>.

2. Randy Silverman will present a half day workshop: “Disaster Preparedness for Librarians: When nature crosses the boundary into your books”. Mr. Silverman's program is being generously underwritten by a grant from the Mountain Plains Library Association. Registration fees for this program will be reduced for MPLA members.

3. Another half-day workshop will be: “Utah Kids Ready to Read!...Emergent Literacy in your library”. Whether you call it emergent literacy, early literacy, or pre-literacy, it is one of the most exciting new trends in library services to families. By learning about emergent literacy you become a valuable resource to your community. Utah Kids Ready to Read! is a state-level initiative organized to help library personnel across Utah learn how to get kids ready to read. Attending this workshop will provide you with useful information to enhance the programming you already provide. This is a wonderful follow-up for those who have already hosted Utah Kids Ready to Read! presentations and for those wishing to get started.

Tuesday, May 16 tee times have been reserved at the beautiful Sunbrook Golf Course.

This year's conference has something for everyone. I look forward to seeing you there and sharing the many offerings that have been prepared for you. Come and help create the “synergy in a time of transformation”.

*Ellen Bonadurer,  
ULA Conference Chair*

## goLocalUtah Receives State Level NCLIS 2006 Health Award

The United States National Commission on Libraries and Information Science has awarded the goLocalUtah project (gLU) its 2006 Health Award for Utah.

The National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) is an independent agency within the Federal government that advises the President and Congress on information policies and assesses library resources and services, as well as develops strategies for fulfilling national library and information needs. NCLIS was formed by an act of Congress in 1970. Each year NCLIS chooses a project from each state to receive a Health Award.

The goLocalUtah Website ([www.golocalutah.org](http://www.golocalutah.org)) provides information on local health services in communities throughout Utah. The Website can be directly accessed through the above link, or used in conjunction with MedlinePlus ([www.medlineplus.gov](http://www.medlineplus.gov)), the National Library of Medicine's premier source for

consumer-oriented health information. MedlinePlus users can look up information on a specific health issue, then follow the MedlinePlus Go Local links located on the right side of the page to find related health services in communities throughout Utah, or in other regions within the U.S.

goLocalUtah is a collaborative effort of the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library, the Utah Library Association's Health Round Table, the Utah Health Sciences Library Consortium and the Utah Cares Project. It is funded by a generous grant from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. If you have further questions, please contact the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library Reference Department at (801) 581-5534, toll free (866) 581-5534, or email [reference@lib.med.utah.edu](mailto:reference@lib.med.utah.edu)

*John Bramble, Outreach Librarian  
Liz Workman, Reference Librarian  
Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library*

## Utah Legislature Grants Funding for UVSC's New Library

This year's legislative session granted Utah Valley State College \$46.75 million in funding for the new Digital Learning Center (DLC). Considered a top priority for campus administrators, funding for the library is the largest amount ever given to UVSC and represents 35 percent of the total budget set aside for capital facilities in the state this year. Approximately 180,000 square feet, the DLC will be the largest building on campus.

Construction of the DLC will begin in six to eight months and UVSC anticipates completion of the project

by Spring 2009. The DLC will combine traditional library services with cutting-edge technology to meet the demands of today's and future students. Included in the plans are 45 group study rooms, a commons area with more than 140 computers where students can access the latest in computer software packages, as well as expanded collections and an extended hours area.

*Kim Rollins  
UVSC Library Assistant Director*



## Children's Day / Book Day Día de los niños/Día de los libros

In Mexico and many Latin American countries, April 30<sup>th</sup> is set apart as a special holiday to honor children. In 1996, Pat Mora, the famous Latina children's author, introduced Children's Day into the U.S. and incorporated the idea of Book Day to emphasize the importance of literacy and the love of reading in children.

On Saturday, April 29th from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm, REFORMA de Utah will continue the tradition with an afternoon of celebration. Children's Day / Book Day will be held at the Activity Barn at Wheeler Historic Farm (6351 South 900 East, Salt Lake City).

There will be bilingual storytellers, dancers from South America, a Chilean mime, and a special performance of Dr. Seuss' "Horton Hears a Who" by "The Players" theatrical group. Kids are invited to get their faces painted, make their own Mexican paper flowers, and participate in other fun literacy activities. Every child who attends will receive a free book to take home with them. Entrance and all activities are free and open to the public.

Children's Day / Book Day is cosponsored by the Salt Lake County

Library System, the Salt Lake City Public Library, the Utah State Library, KUED Channel 7, the Mexican Consulate, LDS Charities, the Assistance League of Salt Lake City, the Utah Dairy Council, Smith's Food & Drug, Costco, & Pepsi Bottling Company.

In addition to hosting the Día celebration at Wheeler Farm, Reforma de Utah will also present a special Día de los niños / Día de los libros workshop at this year's ULA Conference in St. George. This workshop will focus on the history and purpose of the Día celebration and will also teach librarians how to host their own Día de los niños / Día de los libros events at their respective libraries. Please mark your calendars to attend on Thursday, May 18th from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

If you would like more information about any of these programs, or if you are interested in volunteering during the Día celebration on April 29th, please contact Melanie Tucker at [mtucker@slco.lib.ut.us](mailto:mtucker@slco.lib.ut.us) or call 944-7550.

*Melanie Tucker  
Youth Services Librarian  
Salt Lake County Library System*

## Executive Secretary/Treasurer Changes

Christopher Anderson, long-time ULA Executive Secretary/Treasurer, resigned his position at the end of February. We thank him for his years of service.

Upon his resignation, the Executive Board took the opportunity to review the tasks involved with each position and determined that creating two positions (Executive Secretary, Executive Treasurer) would provide the Association with more flexibility and streamlined

accounting practices. During the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting, the Board of Directors voted to accept this change and advertise for both positions. Deadline for positions is April 1<sup>st</sup>. Announcement of our new Executive Secretary and Executive Treasurer will be made at the April 7<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting.

General questions to ULA and membership questions can be addressed to: [admin@ula.org](mailto:admin@ula.org).

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## ULA Announces Award Winners for 2005-2006

The ULA Awards Committee is pleased to announce the winners of this year's awards:

### Special Services to Libraries Award

Since September of 1999, a committee of citizens of Hyrum and surrounding communities has worked tirelessly to raise over \$4 million dollars to construction a new library and museum complex in downtown Hyrum. The committee was instrumental in convincing Hyrum City Council to donate \$1.5 million to the project, and then worked tirelessly to raise the remaining funds. During the years that followed, they held concerts, drawing contests, rode in parades, painted tiles, sold bricks, went door-to-door asking for donations, sold T-shirts, and met with politicians of surrounding communities to enlist their support.

As a result of this effort, the groundbreaking for the complex was held November 5, 2005 and construction is now in progress for the new 26,000 square foot building.

### Librarian of the Year Award

Kim Rollins, Assistant Library Director at Utah Valley State College, has been a driving force in creating and improving services to the UVSC campus and libraries throughout Utah for 16 years. Her professionalism reflects her outstanding organizational, interpersonal, and management skills. She has taken an active role in state professional organizations, serving as the 2005 Utah Library Association Conference Chair and providing leadership on other ULA committees. She has also acted in leadership positions in UALC.

Kim takes an active role on campus, participating on UVSC's Strategic Direction Advisory Committee and the Campus Copyright Committee. She played a major role in leading the Library's accreditation team and plays an integral part in planning the new library. Overall, Kim has provided service above and beyond the call of duty, both at UVSC and throughout Utah.

### Special Recognition Award

Julene Butler has worked in the BYU Library for 35 years. During that time she has served in numerous capacities, including the Library Administrative Team, Library instruction, overseeing the public services division, cataloging, and reference.

She is actively involved in the University Executive Council on Northwest Accreditation, the University Faculty Development Council, and the Library Coordinating Council. She is a past Chair of LIRT, ULA Conference Chair, Utah Library Association Vice-Chair and she has been active in the Utah Library Association Academic Section. Her publications include numerous articles, instructional videos, and conference papers. Her greatest fulfillment comes through mentoring and associating with her fine colleagues.

### Distinguished Service Award

Pat Montgomery has worked in, with, and for Utah's Public Libraries for thirty years. She began her Utah library career with Salt Lake County Library and later became manager of the West Valley Library. Pat was also director of the Park City Library where she established a pattern of library service that earned the library recognition as one of the best small town libraries in the West.

Pat has always been the State's unofficial library consultant, willing to share her time and expertise with anyone who needed advice and assistance.

As an official Library Consultant with the Utah State Library, she developed new certification standards for public libraries, organized and presented training across the state on various topics, and prepared online resources for library trustees. Pat has also served the Utah Library Association in several capacities.

### 2005-2006 ULA Awards Committee:

*Lori Stevens, Chair*  
*Deborah Devereaux*  
*Claudine Boothe*  
*Ruby Cheesman*

## **Top Ten Benefits of ULA Membership**

10. You will have opportunities to network with colleagues involved in librarianship throughout the state of Utah.
9. ULA provides opportunities for continuing education through conferences, forums, sections and roundtables.
8. ULA provides opportunities to present research and discuss issues that face libraries and librarians.
7. The ULA listserv will keep you abreast of local and national library related news, events and issues.
6. Membership in ULA sections and roundtables is free.
5. Annual conference registrations fees are a bargain for members.
4. Membership is cost effective for first time members, students, part-time library employees, ULEMA members, retirees, trustees and the general public.
3. Your membership dues and other organizational expenses can be used as a tax deduction.
2. You could become a committee chair, section leader, board member or President of ULA.
1. If you become Membership Chair, you can write your own *Top Ten Benefits of ULA Membership*.

Join or renew your ULA membership today. For further information please refer to the ULA Membership Services webpage at [http://www.ula.org/members/member\\_services.htm](http://www.ula.org/members/member_services.htm).

*Julie Williamsen  
ULA Vice President/President Elect*

## **Giovale Library Gives Presentation and Receives Recognition at ALA National Conference**

At the recent American Library Association conference at San Antonio, Texas, Jennifer Foy, Systems Librarian, Giovale Library, was invited to give a presentation regarding "Griffin Search" the Giovale library's federated searching system that allows researchers to search for information from the Giovale Library online catalog and multiple databases at the same time. The other invited academic library presenters were: Brigham Young University, GALILEO (State of Georgia Statewide Learning Online System), Princeton University, University of Pittsburgh, and University of Illinois at Chicago.

The WebFeat conference newsletter reported that, "Jennifer Foy, Systems Librarian, Westminster College, provided a unique perspective on

small college federated search implementations."

At the awards banquet Foy accepted a glass trophy on behalf of the Westminster College with the following inscription: "WebFeat President's Award for Innovation -- Presented to Westminster College -- 2006 Awards Nominee."

The case study for the Giovale Library was distributed at the conference and is available online. [http://www.webfeat.org/features/westminster\\_case\\_study.pdf](http://www.webfeat.org/features/westminster_case_study.pdf)

Since the conference Foy has received numerous telephone calls and e-mail for librarians around the country asking questions that were generated from her presentation.



## Family History Library Makes Service a Priority

In 2005, more than a half a million people visited the Family History Library (FHL) with a bit more than half residing outside Utah. Recently, the Library implemented a new service model specifically designed to encourage first-time users of the library including those with little or no family history experience. Now, new users receive the benefit of a warm welcome from a library greeter in the lobby. The greeter determines from information supplied by the new user the most appropriate place in the library to begin their experience.

New visitors may view a brief orientation of the layout and resources of the library, they may be guided through the process of writing down what they know, or they may be taken to an area of the library to begin research. Each step along the way they are personally escorted and experience personal one-on-one assistance to help them have a successful visit. This new service is important in our goal to increase the number of novice and beginner visitors attending the FHL.

We are continually increasing the size and training of our support staff. The FHL staff consists of 100+ full- and part-time employees, many of whom are credentialed genealogists, professional researchers and world-renowned experts in their field, and over 650 volunteers. The staff can translate in approximately 38 languages. Instruction in 2005 was a big hit with over 14,400 patrons attending classes at the library.

To assist all FHL visitors, the library is keeping pace with new technology as noted by:

- Four new book-to-CD scanners
- Total replacement of over 200 patron computers

- Creation of an English Jurisdictions database (prototype of 7 counties) to assist users in understanding which jurisdictions would likely have records for their ancestor
- Access to more online collections including free access to several powerful subscription or pay-per-view websites
- Continuing development of an Information Commons on the main floor to contain hardware and software needed for such family history projects as organizing a reunion, publishing a family history, scanning old photographs and slides, and creating multimedia presentations and DVDs
- Expected this year is wireless access to the Internet for visitors who bring their own personal laptops

We are interested in the patron perceptions regarding the service they receive at the Library and ways that we might improve. We conduct quarterly patron satisfaction surveys. In February, we conducted a pilot of a half-page Library Quick Survey where we received over 160 comments about evenly split between "We Like" comments and "Do Differently" comments. We are now evaluating these comments and will track follow-up on the "Do Differently" comments.

This year we will begin offering patrons "Breakthrough Consultation Service" by appointment with expert staff. These new services and resources will add tremendously to the already excellent services and resources of the library giving each visitor, new or seasoned, a memorable experience.

*Jim Ison  
Manager, Strategy and Planning  
Family History Library*

**Road Tripping in Davis County**

New libraries are always a cause for celebration – they indict a community that appreciates and supports all the good that we offer: books, movies, magazines, online connections, and most importantly, great people. If you follow the news around the state, you will hear of new libraries in Washington County, Salt Lake County, and Davis County (to name a few!). Davis County Library has been working on building projects for several years, and just recently opened their beautiful Centerville Branch Library. Pete Giacoma, Davis County Library Director, has worked deftly with his Board, staff, and community to give Centerville a gem. Continue reading for Pete’s description.



*HSL*

The Centerville Branch Library opened on March 11. It is 10,200 square feet in size, designed to be expandable to 15,000 square feet. The branch is integrated into a site that includes the library and a new Centerville City park. The ground on which the library is built has traditionally been used for orchards and nurseries; it is also near the location, in the far past, of a station for the Bamburger Railroad. The interior themes reflected the agricultural traditional of the land, with art work drawn from *The Farm Book*, by Elmer Boyd Smith (copyright 1910) and

reproductions of woodcuts by Gustave Baumann. As a nod to the Bamburger station, some reproductions from Elmer Boyd Smith's *The Railroad Book* are also mounted in the freize below the main vaulted area in the building. The building also includes a stained glass window, created by Powell Brothers of Salt Lake City, over the main entry way.

Art elements in the children’s room include two stained glass windows, comprising six glass panels each, featuring scenes and characters from children’s stories. These were created by Nancy Starks of Salt Lake City. Other art elements include an entry arbor and a storyteller’s tree, complete with bench, constructed by Dave Hobbs of Signature Exhibits. The children’s room was furnished in part with a grant from the Simmons Family Foundation and, in recognition, is named The Elizabeth E. "Tibby" Simmons Children’s Room.

The opening day collection was 40,000 items; the building has a capacity of 75,000 - 80,000. The Centerville Branch Library was the last of four capital projects undertaken between 2000 - 2006 as part of a strategic plan adopted by the Library Board of Directors and the Davis County Commission.

*Pete Giacoma  
Davis County Library Director*

**New Mexico Library Association Partnership**

This winter, I was approached by the New Mexico Library Association (NMLA) to form a partnership, sharing information with each other about our Associations. You may have noticed information on our Web site about their annual conference. And, you may have noticed that ULA members may attend their conference (April 20-21) for free! This year, NMLA invited professionals in growing library communities in Colorado, Arizona, Utah, and across the country to join them.

I applaud their partnership efforts and hope to have more opportunities to get to know our neighboring librarians. One upcoming event will be the Mountain Plains Library Association-New Mexico Library Association Joint 2007 conference, which will be held March 14 - 16 at the Albuquerque Convention Center. For more information contact Wayne Hanway, MPLA President-Elect, whanway@sepl.lib.ok.us.

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## HeaRT to Sponsor Race for the Cure Team

ULA Members and friends: The Health Round Table is planning to enter a team in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure on May 13, 2006 in Salt Lake City. All ULA members and friends are encouraged to join us in this fund raising effort. Proceeds from this event are directed toward efforts to eradicate breast cancer. As a team, we will be issued T-shirts and can walk or run together to honor breast cancer survivors, to remember those we have lost, and to support the fight against this disease.

As participants in the race, you may choose to run, walk or just to pledge.

### TWO WAYS TO JOIN THE TEAM:

- 1) **ONLINE:** <http://race.komenslc.org/>  
Go to the Race Web site  
Click on the Pink "Join and Existing Team" button on the right side  
Search our team using "HEART"  
Click Join (on the far right, in the team name and information display)  
Provide the information requested  
**DEADLINE for online registration is April 20**
- 2) Send your registration form and check to Nancy Lombardo:  
Each participant must complete and sign an entry form and attach a check payable to: SLC Race for the Cure  
**DEADLINE for checks is April 14, 2006**

For more information, visit the Web site at: <http://www.komenslc.org/>

10th Anniversary! Saturday, May 13, 2006  
The Gateway - South Temple 400 West  
Start Times

7:00 am: Race Day Registration  
8:15 am: Fitness Warm-Up  
8:25 am: 5k Wheelchair Start  
8:30 am: 5K Run/5K Walk  
9:00 am: 1 Mile Fun Walk/Run  
10:00 am: Survivor Recognition/Survivor Group Photo Awards

### Entry Fees are:

Adult (13-64 years):

\*Timed, Prepaid = \$22.00  
\*Not timed, Prepaid = \$20.00

Youth (12 and under) and Seniors (65+):

\*Timed, Prepaid = \$15.00  
\*Not Timed, Prepaid = \$12.00

As Team organizer, I will collect the completed forms and checks and enter our team in the race. Please contact me if you are interested in participating.

Nancy Lombardo  
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## ULA Financial Report

As of 3/29/06, Utah Library Association has the following assets:

- \$35,613.62 in our Wells Fargo checking account
- \$68,769.91 in our Ameritrade investment account

Total assets: \$104,383.53

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## MPLA's Leadership Institute

### AKA "Ghost Ranch"

Applications are being accepted for this fall's MPLA Leadership Institute, held at beautiful Ghost Ranch, NM, October 29<sup>th</sup> – November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Qualifications for this year's applicants include:

- ✓ MLS or equivalent master's degree relevant to the library field
- ✓ Employed in a library organization in MPLA's 12 state region
- ✓ More than 2 years & less than 12 years post-master's work in a library-related field
- ✓ Current member of one of MPLA's 12 affiliated state library associations (MPLA membership is not necessary but a candidate must belong to the state association)

- ✓ A record of experience (including outside the library) demonstrating leadership potential and ability
- ✓ A thoughtfully completed application to be evaluated per the process outlined below

Applications can be obtained at the MPLA website – [www.mpla.org](http://www.mpla.org). They are due via email on or before midnight MDT on Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. Invitations for registration will be sent to selected applicants in late July. Approximately 30% of those who initially apply are accepted and invited to attend. The 30 attendees are joined by four mentors also selected by the committee, Maureen Sullivan and Mary Bushing, Institute Coordinator and mentor. If you have questions concerning the institute or your application, contact Mary at: [marying@msn.com](mailto:marying@msn.com).

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# Thinking Ahead Symposium 2006

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The mission of the Utah Library Association is to serve the professional development and educational needs of its members and to provide leadership and direction in developing and improving library and information services in the state. In order to accomplish these goals, ULA supports and provides continuing education programs for Utah librarians and library

employees, especially at its annual spring conference. ULA also offers members a number of opportunities for library leadership, professional growth, networking, and community service. We hope you find the Utah Library Association to be an organization that makes a difference for you, for Utah librarians, for Utah Libraries, and for the citizens of Utah.